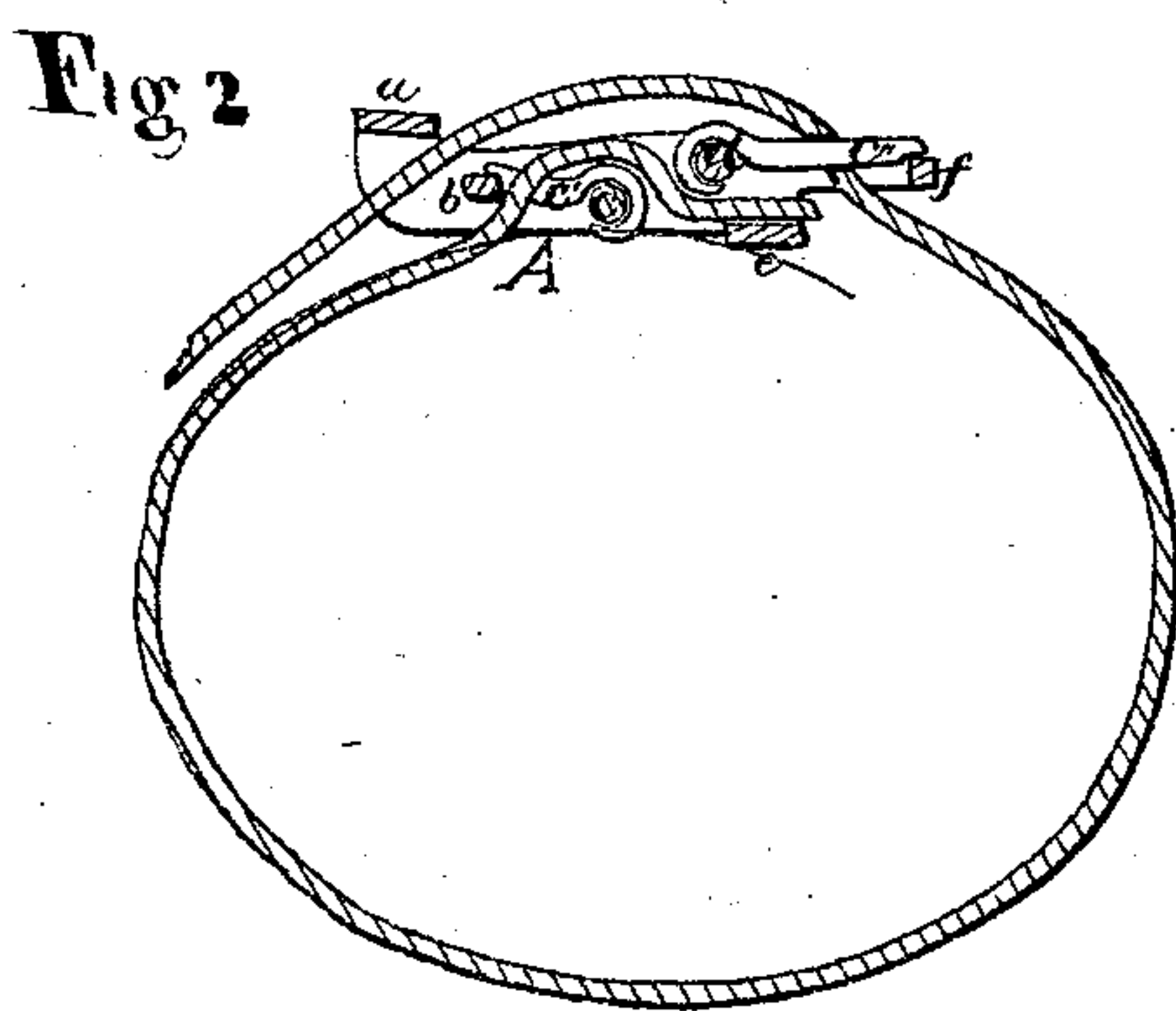
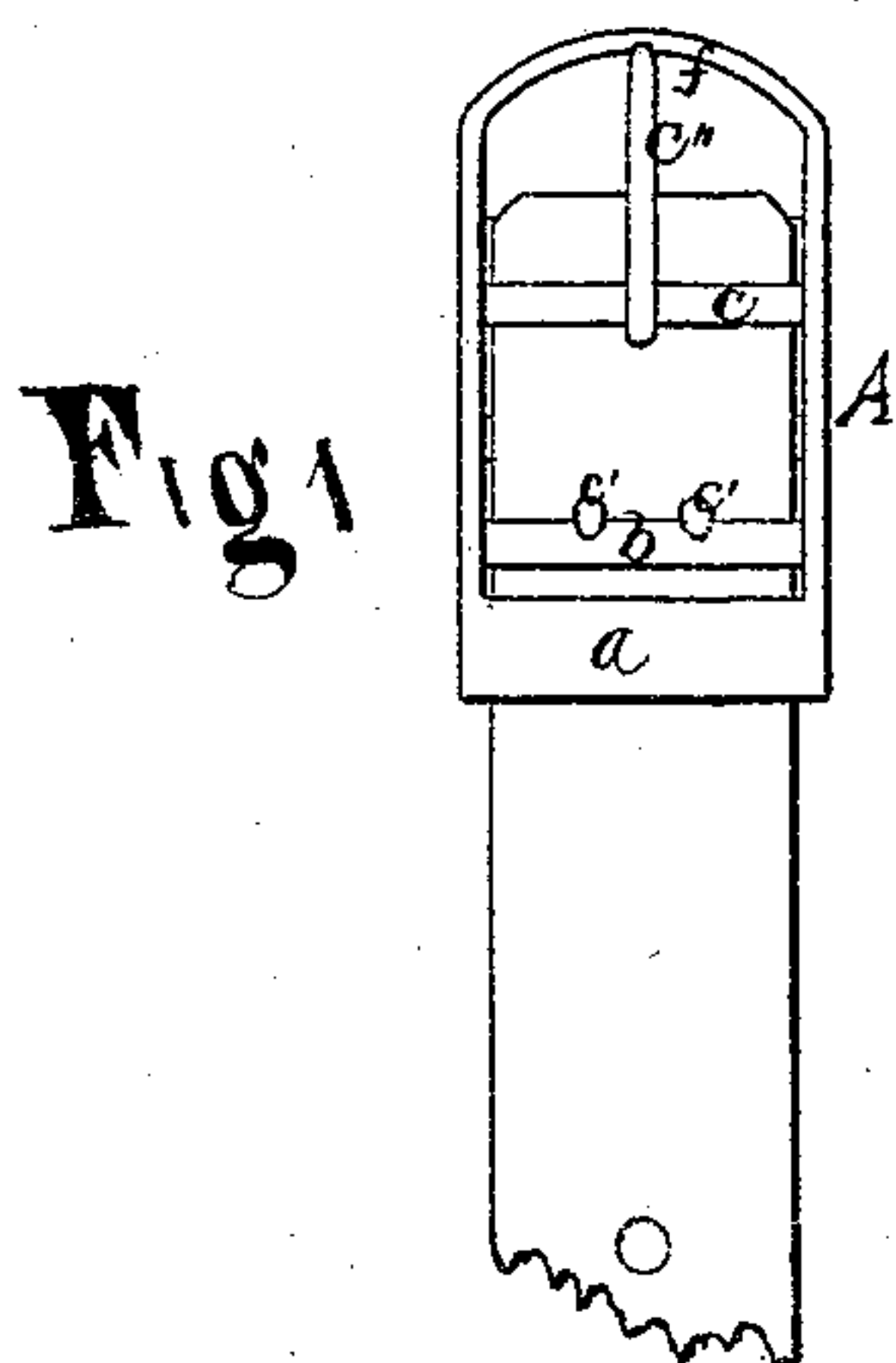


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IMPROVEMENT IN BUCKLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM YOST, of Butlerville, in the county of Warren and State of Ohio, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Buckles; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the annexed drawing making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawing is a top or face view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section of the same.

This invention relates to a strap-buckle; and it consists in its construction and novel arrangement of parts by means of which it may be secured to a strap without sewing or rivets, as hereinafter described.

In the accompanying drawing illustrating this invention, A designates the buckle-frame constructed with the six cross-bars marked respectively *a b c d e f* and arranged in the relative positions shown in the drawing.

The bar *c* holds two buckle-hooks or tongues, *c'*, with their ends projecting over the bar *b*, and the bar *d* holds one tongue, *c''*, the end of which projects over the end bar *f*. The number of hooks is not a material part of this invention. The buckle is attached to the strap by inserting the

hooks *c'* through it near its end, and placing the latter under or behind the bar *d* and over the bar *e*, where it will be securely held and will not be drawn out by turning or twisting the buckle. The other end of the strap, or the end of another strap, or any part thereof, is buckled by inserting the hook or tongue *c''* through the proper strap-hole, and thence turning the strap over the bars *b c d e* and under the bar *a*.

The application and mode of arrangement of the strap and buckle are clearly represented in the drawing. This buckle is designed particularly for harness. It is neat and strong, saves time and labor in its attachment, and also leather. It allows of ready adjustment, is not liable to wear the strap more than an ordinary buckle, and cannot pull out of place itself without breaking the strap.

I claim as my invention—

The buckle herein described, having frame A, bars *a b c d e f*, and tongues *c' c''* constructed and arranged substantially as specified.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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